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HUD's Office of Native American Programs (ONAP) administers housing and community development programs that benefit American Indian and Alaska Native Tribal governments, Tribal members, the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands, Native Hawaiians, and other Native American organizations.

The **Eastern Woodlands Office** (EWONAP) serves 66 Tribes within 16 states and 6 HUD regions. EWONAP administers over \$90 million in IHBG funds, over \$60 million in Section 184 Native American Home Mortgages, and approximately \$6 million in ICDBG funds in its region annually.

Eastern Woodlands Region



For more information about ONAP funding and programs, visit the [CodeTalk website](#).

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GREETINGS FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR



Aho! Boozhoo! Greetings! My name is Mark Butterfield and I was sworn in on August 26th as the new Administrator for the Eastern Woodlands ONAP office here in Chicago. I was pleased to be welcomed by Antonio Riley, the HUD Region V Administrator, and the EWONAP staff that day before immediately flying off to participate in the last formula Negotiated Rulemaking session in Scottsdale, AZ for the balance of my first week. I have been to nearly every recent Negotiated Rulemaking session in my capacity as Executive Director of Ho-Chunk Housing & Community Development Agency and Neg. Reg. alternate for Great Lakes. It seemed fitting to finish the Negotiated Rulemaking process, though it was odd to sit on the HUD side of the room for the first time. ⇨

GREETINGS FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR, CONTINUED

I hope to continue the positive legacy of this EWONAP office with the 61 tribes that make up GLIHA and USET. As a former Executive Director with eight years of experience and the NAIHC Director for the last four, I am familiar with many of the issues you face on a daily basis. HHCA participated in the Title VI loan program, ROSS program, RIF, RHED, multiple ICDBG projects, in addition to having started a CDFI and administering the IHBG program. As a former Tribal Judge and later Justice, I am also familiar with the complex set of tribal, state, and federal rules you face daily.

My personal background is as a proud member of the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska. My grandfather was Dr. Henry Roe Cloud, a Winnebago who was a pioneer of American Indian higher education and my grandmother was Elizabeth Bender Cloud, White Earth Chippewa and 1950 Mother of the Year. They set a strong legacy for my mother, Ramona and three sisters to attend University in the 1930's and 40's who then passed it on to my generation. I attended Carleton College in Minnesota for my BA, Brown University for my Master's, and the University of Wisconsin for Law School. I went on to practice law for nearly 20 years prior to being a housing administrator. As decades long resident of Wisconsin I will still root for the Badgers, Packers, and Brewers though working in Bears, Cubs, and Bulls country.

Please feel free to contact me with issues as they arise. My staff and I will do our best to assist you.

Best Regards, [Mark Butterfield](#)

INDIAN COUNTRY NEWS

SAMHSA Announces New Tribal Affairs Office- On Friday, August 8, 2014 HHS's Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's (SAMHSA) Administrator Pam Hyde announced the creation of SAMHSA's new Office of Tribal Affairs and Policy (OTAP) with Mirtha Beadle as Director. This new office will serve as SAMHSA's primary point of contact for Tribal governments, Tribal organizations, federal departments and agencies, and other governments and agencies on behavioral health issues facing American Indians and Alaska Natives. Establishing OTAP will support SAMHSA's efforts to advance development and implementation of data-driven policies and innovative practices that promote improved behavioral health for Native communities and populations. OTAP will bring together SAMHSA's Tribal affairs, Tribal policy, Tribal consultation, Tribal advisory, and Tribal Law and Order Act responsibilities to improve agency coordination and meaningful progress. To read the Administrator's Dear Tribal Leaders letter, [click here](#).

USDA Tribal Consultation to Discuss Possible Nutrition Assistance Program Administration Changes-

USDA's Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) has asked IMPAQ team to work with Tribal Leadership to determine the feasibility and interest of Tribal nation administration of federal nutrition assistance programs directly. The consultations will enable the IMPAQ team to collaboratively design methods for obtaining input from Tribal government or Tribal nation leaders about their administration capacity and factors important to Tribal nations. To participate in the first of a series of formal Tribal consultations with Tribal nations and their leadership on Thursday, September 11, 2014 at 2 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. EST or Monday, September 22, 2014 at 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. EST. To participate in either consultation, please register by [clicking here](#).

EWONAP REGIONAL NEWS AND EVENTS

Cooperative Effort Delivers City Water to Sault Tribe Housing Development-



Chairman Aaron Payment of the Sault Tribe of Chippewa Indians and Sault Ste. Marie, MI Mayor Pro-Tem William Lynn at the ceremonial groundbreaking bringing city water service to the Odenaang Subdivision. Also pictured: Director Kim Gravelle, Shirley Goudreau, Housing Director Joni Talentino, Grant Writer Joanne Umbrasas, Director Denny McKelvie, Site Engineer Jeremy Gagnon and Ken Ermatinger, while the city was represented by Commissioner Don Gerrie, City Manager Oliver Turner, Commissioner Kathy Twardy, Commissioner Pat Shimmens, City Clerk Robin Troyer and City Engineer Linda Basista.

Dignitaries from both the Sault Tribe of Chippewa Indians and the City of Sault Ste. Marie gathered at the Odenaang Community Development to kick off a joint venture to deliver water service to the new subdivision. Odenaang, which means “a place of many hearts,” is designed to accommodate around 170 homes when fully developed. Mayor Pro-Tem William Lynn explained the entire project could be summed up in one word. “Cooperation,” said Lynn in a brief address to those in attendance. “This is a great thing for both of us.” Tribal Chairman Aaron Payment of the Sault Tribe also expressed his enthusiasm for the project, crediting the staff who had worked so hard to overcome potential roadblocks and secure funding for bringing this plan to fruition. The project will tie the Sault Tribe’s development to the city water and sewer system delivering a clean, reliable water source to the subdivision. The water project is slated to be complete by November 2014. The sewer portion should also be complete before winter sets in. The Tribe leveraged federal funds from several agencies for the \$1.82 million project, according to Grant Writer, Joanne Umbrasas, including \$150,000 from HUD ICDBG, \$895,000 from EPA/IHS, and \$619,000 from USDA.

Akwesasne Mohawk Veteran Signs First On-Territory

VA Housing Loan- Marine Corps veteran, Dennis Phillips, became the first Native American veteran in Akwesasne to sign for a home loan through the US Department of Veterans Affairs Native American Direct Loan (NADL) Program on Tuesday, June 24, 2014 at the Akwesasne Housing Authority administration building. Mr. Phillips remarked, “It feels pretty good”, as he penned his signature on the home loan agreement that will begin the process of financing the construction of his single family home. He will build his home on his family’s property within the territory of Akwesasne. This loan was made possible through a Memorandum of Understanding



Left to right: Ms. Retha M. Herne (AHA Executive Director), Ms. Barbara Lazore (AHA Commissioner), Mr. Norman Tarbell (AHA Commissioner), Mr. Arnold Gray (Post 1479 Legionnaire), Mr. Mike Cook (Commander, Legion Post 1479), Mr. Dennis Phillips (USMC/seated), Mr. Jeff Johnson (Post 1479 Legionnaire), Judge Peter J. Herne (USMC/Chief Judge SRMT), Ms. Sheila Loran (AHA Commissioner), Mr. Ronald P. Cook (AHA Chairman), Mrs. Loveday McDonald (AHA Commissioner).

between the St. Regis Mohawk Tribe and the US Department of Veterans Affairs, signed last December at an official signing ceremony held at the American Legion Post 1479. Retha Herne, Executive Director of the AHA, stated, “Since the MOU signing, the AHA has received several inquiries and assisted tribal veterans with their applications, and will continue to encourage Mohawk veterans to seek this specialized housing financing.”



FDDC Awarded \$749,488 from the Native American CDFI Assistance Program-

In August, Four Directions Development Corporation (FDDC), funded by the four Tribes of Maine, was awarded \$749,488 by the U.S. Department of Treasury’s Community Development Financial Institutions’ (CDFI) Native American CDFI Assistance Program (NACA), which generates economic opportunity for Native Communities by supporting Native CDFIs. FDDC’s award is a financial assistance award that will be used as loan capital to provide Native American families, individuals, and entrepreneurs across Maine with increased access to credit, capital, and financial services.



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Revising your Policies and Procedures?

Reassessing Long Term Goals?

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- Leverage Financing
- Maintenance
- Needs Assessments
- Occupancy & Eligibility
- Organizational Structure
- Procurement
- Strategic Planning
- Or customize your own!



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TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES AND RESOURCES, CONTINUED

Training/Event	When & Where	Description and Registration
Tribal Water Resources Management	Sept 1-Oct. 26 On-line	Northern Arizona University (NAU) & the Institute for Tribal Environmental Professionals (ITEP) offers Tribal Water Resources Management , a comprehensive online course developed with NAU's College of Engineering, Forestry, and Natural Sciences' faculty, the ITEP, legal experts and Tribal environmental professionals from across the country. This course will cover a variety of Tribally-specific management topics ranging from fundamentals of water quality to quantification of Indian water rights. One key objective for this training is to increase participants' exposure to practical and applied water resource management concepts as well as foundational theories. For more information and to register, click here .
Using the Environmental Assessment Process to Promote Environmental Planning (NLC)	Sept. 3, Online, 2-3pm, EST	Tribes must use an environmental assessment (EA) process (HUD's procedures, as set forth in the 24 CFR 58) for all federally funded projects. Generally the EA process ensures that certain minimum standards be met. The EA process, however, can be used to get Tribal decision makers to consider more sustainable alternatives. Examples will include water (groundwater recharge vs. runoff), energy, and brown-field redevelopment projects. To register, click here .
NIHB Annual Consumer Conference: <i>Advancing Native Health Care through Consultation, Technology & Tradition</i>	Sept. 8-11 Albuquerque, NM	NIHB 31st Annual Consumer Conference This conference provides the most up-to-date & important information Tribal leaders, health directors & consumers will need as they work toward reducing American Indian & Alaska Native health disparities through continued advancement of the Tribal health care system. In depth, special focus on Health Information Technology, presentations and workshops on Medicare, Medicaid & Health Care Reform; Health Care Policy & Advocacy; Health Promotion/Disease Prevention; Health, Public Health & Youth; Tribal Oral Health & other cross-cutting topics. For more info, click here .
Federal Procurement Fundamentals (HUD/ONAP)	Sept. 9-10 Atlanta, GA	FREE Training for Board of Directors for Indian Housing Authorities (IHA), Tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHE), Tribal Leadership, Tribal housing employees, and Tribal non-profit organizations. A standard procurement process ensures that all goods and services are appropriate and procured at the best possible cost and its relation to quality, quantity, time, and location. Topics include: NAHASDA Objectives I-V and Titles V- II, The Indian Housing Block Grant 24 CFR Parts 1000 and 85, Internal Controls, OMB Circular Cost Principles, IHP/APR, Procurement 24 CFR Parts B to H. To register, click here .
NAHASDA Essentials (HUD/ONAP)	Sept. 9-11, Albuquerque, NM	This exciting and interactive three-day training provides attendees with a comprehensive introduction to NAHASDA. Participants will become familiar with all program activities, including rental housing, homebuyer programs, rehabilitation, and housing and crime prevention services. Other major topics include the IHBG formula, eligible program participants, income verifications, other federal requirements, financial management and program administration. For more information and to register, click here .

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES AND RESOURCES, CONTINUED

Training/Event	When & Where	Description and Registration
Occupancy & Maintenance (HUD/ONAP)	Sept. 9-11, Bismarck, ND	This interactive course is designed to enhance the job performance of Occupancy and Maintenance staff and other tribal housing professionals. This course will cover Occupancy program management with topics to include the application and selection process, eligibility for housing assistance, calculating annual income, determining monthly rental or homeownership payments, occupancy standards, collections practices and compliance, effective communication techniques with residents, lease agreement compliance, and collections. Participants should bring copies of their own Admissions and Occupancy policies so that they can practice applying them to case studies during this course. To register, click here .
Methamphetamine Standards, Policies, and Remediation Methods	Sept. 11 Chehalis, WA	This HUD/ONAP training is offered In conjunction with the Northwest Indian Housing Association's annual meeting. To register, click here .
AMERIND Annual Convention	Sept. 16-18 Portland, OR	Our annual conference is a great tool for Tribal leaders and business professionals to gain valuable information to share with their communities. During the conference, we will have trainings that range from fire and workplace safety to business liability and claims fundamentals. It will be held at the DoubleTree in Portland. We hope that you can join us in September. Register EARLY to save money! For more information, click here .
NAIHC's Leadership Training Expo	Sept. 23-25, Tampa, FL	NAIHC's Leadership Training Expo courses will include: Development and Modernization, Pathways Home, Housing Services and Maintenance Management. For more information and to register, click here .
Native American Youth Leadership Conference (7th—12th Grade Students)	Sept. 23-26 Tucson, AZ	Conference Objectives/Goals: To inspire youth to make a difference and achieve success; To encourage youth to believe in themselves as ambassadors for change; To challenge youth to identify and engage in activities for personal & societal change; To ensure that youth are developing their talents and skills in leadership; To expose participants to Native culture & history, and much more! Contact Nadine@SIENA-AZ.org or 623-670-3561 or visit http://www.siena-az.org/events.html .
US EPA: Mold Remediation Webinar for Tribal Stakeholders	Sept. 24, webinar 11:30-12:30 PST	What can I do and what should I leave to the professionals? Webinar is designed for School staff, tribal & non-tribal health, housing & environment officials, staff & advocates, health care providers, incl. school nurses, building maintenance & operations, tribal child care providers, health educators, home health visitors, etc. To register, click here .
First Nations L.E.A.D Conference	Sept. 25-26, Tulalip, WA	First Nations Development Institute will hold its 19th Annual First Nations L.E.A.D. Institute Conference at the Tulalip Resort Casino in Tulalip, Washington on September 25 - 26, 2014. Pre-conference sessions will be held on September 24. First Nations Development Institute has worked with Native nations and organizations to strengthen American Indian economies to support healthy Native communities. As an extension of this mission, the L.E.A.D. conference is designed to help emerging and existing leaders in Indian Country network, grow professionally, share ideas and learn new skills related to asset-building. For more info, click here .

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES AND RESOURCES, CONTINUED

Training/Event	When & Where	Description and Registration
SECTION 184 UNDERWRITER TRAINING (HUD/ONAP)	Sept. 25-26, Denver, CO	NEW! Two day underwriter course for HUD's Section 184 Loan Guarantee Program. In preparation of changes that will be implemented Oct. 1, 2014, HUD 184 staff is offering this 2 day session targeted specifically to underwriters (approved and/or pending approval) and underwriting managers. NOTE: Enrollment is limited to Direct Guarantee (DG) Underwriters, DG candidates and underwriting management. No cost for the training; however, attendees are responsible for their own travel costs. For more info and to RSVP, contact Deanna.V.Lucero@hud.gov by Sept. 19.
Tribal Grant Administration and Juvenile Justice & Gang Issues	Oct. 8-10 Las Vegas, NV	Click the links for more information on these trainings: Tribal Grant Administration and Juvenile Justice and Gang Issues .
Novogradac Affordable Housing Conference	Oct. 9-10, San Francisco, CA	NEW! Join the Novogradac Affordable Housing Conference this fall to discuss the ways affordable housing professionals can use the low-income housing tax credit and other tools to maximize the availability of affordable rental housing in communities across the nation. Click here to Register now.
Self-Monitoring (HUD/ONAP)	Oct. 14-15, Billings, MT	This course is designed to assist IHBG recipients to develop an effective program to monitor their activities and those of their sub-recipients. Not only is monitoring a requirement, it demonstrates a recipient's willingness to be accountable for their performance. Attendees will learn practical ways to conduct monitoring and complete an annual compliance assessment to ensure compliance. For more information, click here .
Tribal Financial Managers Certificate Program	Oct. 14-16 Tempe, AZ	In today's working environment, remaining current on developments affecting Indian Country requires ongoing professional development and learning. NAFOA has partnered with ASU's American Indian Policy Institute (AIPI) to bring you the Tribal Financial Managers Certificate Program . For further information, click here: 2014 Fall Finance & Tribal Economics Conference in San Diego, Sept 23. Link to : Registration . Link to: Brochure . Contact Info.: E: aipi@asu.edu or call 480.965.1055.
Sustainable Development Institute	Oct. 15-17, Keshena, WI	College of Menominee Nation's Sustainable Development Institute will host a 3-day summit focused on different levels of climate change adaptation training with Tribes. This event will also include opportunities to network between indigenous practitioners, tribal leaders & land managers, federal agencies, and climate change scientists. The information is specific to the northeast region, but is open to all who are interested in the issues of climate change and Tribes. The event is being planned with assistance from the Northern Arizona University's Institute for Tribal Environmental Professionals (ITEP), Michigan State University (MSU) faculty, and is funded by the Department of Interior's (DOI) Bureau of Indian Affairs Climate Change program and the Northeast Climate Science Center . For more information and to register, click here .

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES AND RESOURCES, CONTINUED

Training/Event	When & Where	Description and Registration
NCAI Annual Conference & Marketplace	Oct. 26-28, Atlanta, GA	NEW! Online registration is now open! Click here to register for the 2014 Annual Convention & Marketplace. For the agenda at a glance, click here . For more information visit our website .
IHP/APR Training (HUD/ONAP)	Oct.28-29, Sioux Falls, SD	Participants at this training will receive step-by-step instruction on how to successfully complete the newly combined IHP/APR form. In addition to a walk-through of the new automated form, participants will also receive guidance on the development, planning, and reporting processes and requirements. All grantees are encouraged to attend this training. To register, click here .
Construction Management & Contract Administration (HUD/ONAP)	Oct. 28-29 Reno, NV	Learn how to manage construction in Native communities from the drafting table to the grand opening! This 2-day training will offer IHBG Grantees the skills to understand the process of construction administration. Training topics include basic skills, reading schematics and drawings, understanding the project manual, contracting, construction, and closeout. Topics of special interest include contracting for rehabilitation work and also special procurement and construction issues such as design-build, force account, small purchase, and non-competitive. Attendees will participate in hands-on group exercises that are designed to turn theoretical knowledge into daily practice. For information and to register, click here .
Financial Management, Program Income, and Basic Audit	Oct. 28-30, Phoenix, AZ	The purpose of this training is to provide participants with an orientation of the financial management systems necessary to achieve and maintain administrative capability in operating the Indian Housing Block Grant program. Participants will be provided with an overview of the financial and administrative requirements that pertain to the use of funds distributed to Tribes and TDHEs under the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act (NAHASDA). Registration coming soon .
Occupancy & Income Eligibility (HUD/ONAP)	Nov. 4-6, Albuquerque, NM	This course will cover Admissions and Occupancy program management with topics to include the application and selection process, eligibility for housing assistance, calculating annual income, determining monthly rental or homeownership payments, occupancy standards, collections practices and compliance, effective communication techniques with residents, lease agreement compliance, and collections. Participants should refer to copies of their own Admissions and Occupancy policies so that they can practice applying them to case studies and role playing exercises presented during this course. To register, click here .
Environmental Training (HUD/ONAP)	Nov. 4-6, Green Bay, WI	Save the Date! Environmental Training. To check back for registration details, click here .

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES AND RESOURCE, CONTINUED

Training/Event	When & Where	Description and Registration
Native Asset Building: A Pathway to Economic Self-Determination II (HUD/ONAP)	Nov. 12-13, St. Paul, MN	This 2-day conference provides a forum to exchange ideas about asset building in Indian Country and strategies to support residents as they move on their path toward self-sufficiency. Participants will learn how Tribes across the country are incorporating asset-building into their economic development strategies. Workshops include Financial Education; Credit Counseling; Rental Readiness & Homeownership; Workforce Development; TANF Best Practices; Child Savings Accounts; 18 monies, and more. Presenters represent a broad spectrum of experts: tribal, state, federal, financial, entrepreneurs, national intermediaries & non-profits. To register, click here .
New Trends in Construction (HUD/ONAP)	Nov. 18-19, Seattle, WA	NEW! This course will highlight new trends in construction that are both energy efficient and cost effective. The course will highlight cost savings that could be achieved with new approaches to design, project management, and occupancy planning during construction. Life cycle cost savings of using green materials vs. conventional, particularly as impacts utility costs will be reviewed. For more information and to register, click here .
Executive Director's Refresher Course (HUD/ONAP)	Nov. 18-19, Salt Lake City, UT	NEW! Save the Date! NAIHC Executive Directors Refresher Course. To check for registration details, click here .
Environmental Reviews & Lead Base Paint (HUD/ONAP)	Nov. 18-20, Albuquerque, NM	NEW! Save the Date! and watch for more information to come about this important FREE training for tribal housing staff working with environmental reviews and housing maintenance and rehabilitation.
Occupancy/Income Eligibility (HUD/ONAP)	Nov. 20-21, Seattle, WA	NEW! Three-day interactive course designed to enhance the job performance of Admissions and Occupancy staff and other tribal housing professionals working on Admissions and Occupancy issues. This course covers Admissions and Occupancy program management with topics to include the application and selection process, eligibility for housing assistance, calculating annual income, determining monthly rental or homeownership payments, occupancy standards, collections practices and compliance, effective communication techniques with residents, lease agreement compliance, and collections. Participants should refer to copies of their own Admissions and Occupancy policies so that they can practice applying them to case studies and role playing exercises presented during this course. The course will also examine how maintaining high standards in the Admissions and Occupancy program affects the overall management of tribal housing programs. To register, click here .

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Training/Event	When & Where	Description and Registration
NAHASDA Essentials (HUD/ONAP)	Dec. 2-4, Oklahoma City, OK	This exciting and interactive three-day training provides attendees with a comprehensive introduction to NAHASDA. Participants will become familiar with all program activities, including rental housing, homebuyer programs, rehabilitation, and housing and crime prevention services. Other major topics include the Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) formula, eligible program participants, income verifications, other federal requirements, financial management and program administration. For more information and to register, click here .
NAHASDA Essentials (HUD/ONAP)	Dec. 9-10, Portland, OR	This exciting and interactive three-day training provides attendees with a comprehensive introduction to NAHASDA. Participants will become familiar with all program activities, including rental housing, homebuyer programs, rehabilitation, and housing and crime prevention services. Other major topics include the Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) formula, eligible program participants, income verifications, other federal requirements, financial management and program administration. For more information and to register, click here .
Environmental Reviews & Lead Base Paint (HUD/ONAP)	Jan. 6-8, 2015, Sacramento, CA	NEW! Save the Date! and watch for more information to come about this important FREE training for tribal housing staff working with environmental reviews and housing maintenance and rehabilitation.
Financial Management, Program Income and Basic Audit (HUD/ONAP)	Jan. 13-15, 2015, Reno, NV	Save the Date! The purpose of this training is to provide participants with an orientation of the financial management systems necessary to achieve and maintain administrative capability in operating the Indian Housing Block Grant program. Participants will be provided with an overview of the financial and administrative requirements that pertain to the use of funds distributed to Tribes and TDHEs under the NAHASDA. Registration coming soon .
Title VI/Loan Leveraging	Jan. 13-14, 2015 Billings, MT	Save the date! Title VI/Loan Leveraging. To check for registration details, click here .
Title VI/Loan Leveraging	Feb. 10-11, 2015 Phoenix, AZ	Save the date! Title VI/Loan Leveraging. To check for registration details, click here .

For information about **NAIHC's Leadership Institute Training**, [click here](#).

For information about **NAIHC's HUD ONAP Trainings**, [click here](#).

For information about **FirstPic's HUD ONAP Training**, [click here](#).

For information on the **Native Learning Center's Trainings**, [click here](#).

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES AND RESOURCES, CONTINUED

Guides, Resources, and Tools

EPA's ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager® has been updated to improve its value to users while also providing a more secure online environment. Portfolio Manager is the industry-leading, no-cost online tool that lets you benchmark, track, and manage energy and water consumption and greenhouse gas emissions against national averages. Visit PortfolioManager.EnergyStar.Gov for more information, or [click here](#).

DOE Developing and Financing Renewable Energy Projects in Indian Country: This insightful and widely applicable presentation by Robert Springer of NREL concisely explains project development framework and development common pitfalls. To view, [click here](#).

National Training and Education Resource: Free, online resource for courses on a wide array of subjects from computer skills to development financing. To create a log-in, [click here](#).

IRS's Indian Tribal Governments office is offering the [Tribal Bonds Financing: The Basics](#) phone forum recording. The 40-minute presentation covers Tribal bonds fundamentals, the benefits of Tribal Economic Development Bonds, and clean renewable energy bonds. You can also [submit questions](#) about the phone forum contents. **ONGOING**

Free Online Permaculture Design Course: The [Regenerative Leadership Institute](#) offers a 72+ hour permaculture design on-line course curriculum. Their goal is to take permaculture mainstream, which requires making the knowledge available to people around the world without barriers. For more information and to register, [click here](#). **ONGOING**

New Guide: Advanced Energy Retrofits for Healthcare Facilities: The healthcare sector, including hospitals and outpatient centers, is one of the most energy-intensive market segments. U.S. healthcare facilities spend \$8.8 billion annually on energy. Retro-commissioning and retrofit measures offer significant opportunities for energy savings. To download the guide, [click here](#).

On the Road to Reuse: Residential Demolition Bid Specification Development Tool: US EPA has completed its report on residential demolition practices that would be instructive to communities on best practices related to residential demolitions. This report identifies environmentally sensitive activities of residential demolition from pre-planning to site rehabilitation. [Download the tool here](#).

HUD's Office of Environment and Energy offers its Environmental Review Resource Pages on the OneCPD Resource Exchange: From the [Environmental Review resource pages](#) grantees can browse guidance, tools, and webinars on complying with environmental laws and authorities when conducting the environmental review, on disaster recovery, environmental impact statements, and upcoming environmental trainings and training materials.

EPA Issues Moisture Control Guidance for Building Design, Construction and Maintenance: This guide can be used by anyone who designs, builds, operates or maintains buildings and heating, ventilating and air conditioning (HVAC) equipment. It was developed specifically for professionals who design buildings and produce drawings, specifications and contracts for construc-

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tion or renovation; professionals who erect buildings from the construction documents; and professionals who operate and maintain buildings, conducting preventive maintenance, inspecting the landscape, building interior and exterior equipment and finishes and performing maintenance and repairs. To view the guide, [click here](#).

HUDUSER's New Consumer's Guide to Energy-Efficient and Healthy Homes. Homeowners & renters can benefit from home improvements that promote energy efficiency & improve indoor air quality. Raising the bar on air quality & energy performance at home helps reduce heating & cooling costs, saves energy, and improves occupant health & comfort. To help consumers better understand the strategies and product options available to them, HUD's Office of Policy Development and Research has developed the Guide to Energy-Efficient and Healthy Homes. The Guide is a new section of our website that provides concise descriptions in an easy-to-navigate format. Explore the new Consumer's Guide to identify strategies to improve energy efficiency & air quality in your home. For the full guide, [click here](#).



NEW! FindYouthInfo.gov is the U.S. government web site that helps you create, maintain, and strengthen effective youth programs. Included are youth facts, funding information, and tools to help you assess community assets, generate maps of local and federal resources, search for evidence-based youth programs, and keep up-to-date on the latest, youth-related news. FindYouthInfo.gov was created by the Interagency Working Group on Youth Programs (IWGYP), which is composed of representatives from 18 federal agencies that support programs and services focusing on youth.

The IWGYP promotes the goal of positive, healthy outcomes for youth in four significant ways:

- **Create and Support FindYouthInfo.gov** which provides interactive tools and other resources to help youth-serving organizations and community partnerships plan, implement, and participate in effective programs for youth.
- **Create and Support YE4C.gov**- This site is the home of the IWGYP's online youth engagement efforts. YE4C helps young people between the ages of 16 and 24 engage in change on personal, community, and national levels.
- **Identify and Disseminate Promising and Effective Strategies**- IWGYP identifies strategies, tools, and resources accessible through FindYouthInfo.gov that will help promote effective community-based efforts addressing youth risk and protective factors. The Program Directory, provides visitors with information about such efforts. Communities can determine whether replicating these strategies will meet their needs.
- **Promote Enhanced Collaboration**- IWGYP identifies and engages key government, private, and nonprofit organizations that can play a role in improving the coordination and effectiveness of programs serving and appealing to youth. These partnerships and collaborations provide mechanisms to obtain feedback on how federal initiatives are translated at the local level; keep organizations informed about federal funding opportunities; and provide the IWGYP with communication mechanisms to reach regional, state, and local programs.

To learn more, [click here](#).

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES AND RESOURCES

Source	Deadline	Details and links
HUD FY 2014 SHOP program	Sept. 4	National and regional non-profit and consortia can access program funding to facilitate and encourage innovative homeownership opportunities through self-help housing. SHOP Program funds can be used for land acquisition, infrastructure, reasonable and necessary planning, and administration costs (20% max). To read the full NOFA, click here .
NCAIED Scholarship Opportunity	Sept. 5	Eligible Persons: Must be majoring in a business-related field, must be a junior, senior, or graduate student, must be enrolled as a full-time student, must be enrolled at an accredited post-secondary institution of higher education. The National Center for American Indian Enterprise Development (NCAIED) is providing scholarship opportunities to students seeking higher education. Applicants must complete the application, write a personal essay, send official transcripts, have a letter of admission or enrollment for the 2014–2015 academic year, and send a copy of their fall semester class schedule. For more, see the funding opportunity description .
Senior Corp RSVP Program	Sept. 9	The Corporation for National & Community Service RSVP grants support volunteers age 55 years and older in activities that serve community needs and respond to the National Performance Measures in the following focus areas: disaster; education; economic opportunity; environment; healthy futures; and veterans & military families. ELIGIBILITY: Public agencies; private nonprofits; institutions of higher education; and Indian tribes. To read the full NOFA, click here .
FY 2015 Brownfields Area-Wide Planning (BF AWP) Grant Guidelines	Sept. 22	EPA's funding for eligible entities (including Indian Housing entities) who wish to develop an area-wide plan for brownfields assessment, cleanup, and subsequent reuse. This funding is for research, technical assistance, and/or training activities directed to one or more brownfield sites located in a specific area (such as a neighborhood, district, local commercial corridor, community waterfront or city block). Funded projects must result in an area-wide plan which includes specific plan implementation strategies for assessing, cleaning up, & reusing the brownfields sites as well as related brownfields & project area revitalization strategies. For more, visit: FY2015 Brownfields Area-Wide Planning Grant Guidelines (PDF) or Frequently Asked Questions (PDF) .
Deployment of Clean Energy and Energy Efficiency on Indian Lands	Oct 2	The DOE's Tribal Energy Program is currently seeking applications for funding from Indian Tribes, Tribal energy resource development organizations, and Tribal consortia to install community and facility-scale clean energy projects on Indian lands. To read the full NOFA, click here .
National Science Foundation- Documenting Endangered Languages	Oct. 6	This funding partnership between the National Science Foundation and the National Endowment for the Humanities supports projects to develop and advance knowledge concerning endangered human languages. ELIGIBILITY: Universities and colleges, nonprofit organizations, Tribal organizations, and scientists, engineers or educators. To read the full NOFA, click here .
Rural Community Development Initiative Grants (USDA)	Nov. 12	Rural Community Development Initiative grants may be used for but are not limited to (a) training sub-grantees to conduct a program on home-ownership education; (b) training sub-grantees to conduct a program for minority business entrepreneurs; (c) providing technical assistance to sub-grantees on how to effectively prepare a strategic plan; (d) provide technical assistance to sub-grantees on how to access alternative funding sources; (e) building organizational capacity through board training; (f) developing training tools, such as videos, workbooks, and reference guides to be used by the sub-grantee; (g) providing technical assistance and training on how to develop successful child care facilities; and (h) providing training on effective fundraising techniques. For more information, click here or call 602.280.8745.

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES AND RESOURCES, CONTINUED

Source	Deadline	Details and links
2015 Species Recovery Grants to Tribes- Dept. of Commerce, National Marine Fisheries Service	Nov. 7	The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) recognizes the unique importance of many protected species to tribes and values ongoing efforts by tribal nations to conserve and protect species under NMFS' jurisdiction. NMFS is authorized to provide Federal assistance to tribes to support conservation programs for marine and anadromous species under its jurisdiction. This assistance, provided in the form of grants, can be used to support conservation of endangered, threatened, and candidate or proposed species, as well as post-delisting monitoring of recovered species. Funded activities may include development and implementation of management plans, scientific research, and public education and outreach; proposals should address priority actions identified in an Endangered Species Act (ESA) Recovery Plan or address a NMFS-identified regional priority or need. To read the full NOFA, click here .
Nike N7 Grant Fund	Nov. 15	Click on the “Apply” option at http://n7fund.com/the-n7-fund-grant-cycle-is-now-open/ to view the online application. For more info., contact N7.Fund@nike.com .
National Historical Publications and Records Commission	Dec. 4	The National Historical Publications and Records Commission desires to make historical records of national significance to the United States broadly available by disseminating digital surrogates on the Internet. The historical value of the records and their expected usefulness to broad audiences must justify the costs of the project. Grants are awarded for digitizing documentary source materials and support to undertake more complex work, such as document transcription, tagging, or geo-referencing. Such online editions should provide basic access to collections. Award amounts can range from \$20,000 to \$150,000. Federally and state recognized Tribes are eligible. To read the full NOFA, click here .
Veterans Cemetery Grants, VA	July 1, 2015	This U.S. Dept. of Veterans Affairs program assists in providing gravesites for Veterans in those areas where VA's national cemeteries cannot fully satisfy their burial needs. Grants may be used to establish, expand or improve Veterans cemeteries. Federally recognized Tribes are eligible. For the full NOFA, click here .
Emergency Community Water Assistance Grants (USDA-RD)	Open	Program helps eligible rural communities recover from or prepare for emergencies that result in a decline in capacity to provide safe, reliable drinking water for households and businesses. Federally recognized Tribal lands and colonias are also eligible. Privately owned wells are not eligible. Up to \$150,000 for repairs to breaks or leaks in existing water distribution lines, & related maintenance. Up to \$500,000 for construction of a new water source, intake &/or treatment facility or waterline extensions. For more details, click here .
Tribal Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Coalitions Program	Open	Grants are available for the development and operation of Tribal domestic violence and sexual assault coalitions in Indian country. This program assists nonprofit organizations and individuals or groups of individuals to build Indian women's leadership and capacity in Tribal communities to advocate for systemic change that will enhance the safety of women in an Indian Tribe. Tribal Coalition nonprofit organizations have accomplished this through technical assistance, expanding the capacity of the Tribal coalitions, developing or enhancing appropriate standards for Tribal governments, Tribal nonprofits organizations, Tribal organizations, victim services and victim service providers to increase the understanding of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking. For more information, click here .

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES AND RESOURCES



Section 184 Native American Home Mortgage Program Lifts Moratorium on Refinancing: The loan guarantee fee on Section 184 loans increased by half a percent to 1.5%. **The moratorium on refinancing has been lifted.** ONAP's Office of Loan Guarantee is accepting applications to refinance existing mortgages on fee simple and Tribal trust lands.

Tribes can also use Section 184 loans to achieve their housing development goals. Some benefits include:

- Low residential mortgage interest rates
- Refinancing now available on fee simple and trust lands
- Low down payment
- May utilize up to 15% of loan funds for site infrastructure costs
- One time loan guarantee fee (1.5%) and no PMI*
- No household income restrictions
- Buy, Rehab, or Build
- Finance up to 20 units at a time.

For more information on Section 184 financing for individual borrowers or for Tribal Development, contact Rebecca Halloran at Rebecca.L.Halloran@hud.gov or 312.913.8027. To visit the Section 184 website, [click here](#).

* 184 loan fees are currently being assessed for possible policy changes.



HUD ONAP Title VI Loan Guarantee Program- The Title VI loan guarantee enables **Indian Housing Block Grant** recipients to leverage up to 5 times their IHBG 'Need' funding to finance affordable housing development by pledging future IHBG grant funds as security for repayment of the loan. A private lender provides the financing and HUD provides the guarantee to the lender.

To visit the Title VI website, [click here](#).

For more information on Title VI Program, contact EWONAP Administrator Advisor, Rebecca Halloran, at Rebecca.L.Halloran@hud.gov or 312.913.8027.



USEFUL LINKS

HUD ONAP CodeTalk website	Grants.gov
EWONAP website	Federal Register Today
HUD Indian Housing Block Grant	White House Native Americans Resources Page
HUD Indian Community Development Block Grant	DOT Tribal Transportation Program
HUD Section 184 Home Loan Guarantee	Safe Drinking Water and Basic Sanitation Task Force
HUD Title VI Loan Guarantee	Asset Building for Native Communities
HUD Healthy Homes	Center for American Indian Economic Development
HUD ROSS Grant	Native American Contractors Association
HUD's Office of Sustainable Housing	National Congress of American Indians
HUD PIH Environmental Resources	National American Indian Housing Council
HUD PIH Notices to Tribes and TDHEs	DOE Tribal Energy Program
HHS Residential Energy Assistance Challenge Program	DOE Weatherization Grants
HHS Low Income Housing Energy Assistance Program	DOE Federal Energy Management Program
DSIRE - Energy Efficiency Incentives	EPA Tribal Grants
USDA Rural Development Grants	Small Business Administration Loans
Army Corp of Engineers Tribal Resources	CDFI Native American Initiatives
VA Native Health Services	VA Native American Direct Loan
Economic Development Administration	BIA Housing Improvement Program
GLIHA	MAST
USET	Four Directions Development Corporation
GLITC	Northwoods Nijiji Enterprise Community, Inc.

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